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Dear Marleen,

Freedom of Information Request Reference FOI-1229381, FOI-1229403

Thank you for your requests dated 27 May, in which you asked the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC):

FOI-1229381:

*"Dear Department of Health and Social Care,
Please could you send me the most up to date list of ALL private UK fertility clinics in the United Kingdom, that carry out IVF and other types of fertility treatments
If possible, from the above list specify which clinics are HFEA fertility clinics."*

FOI-1229403:

*"Dear Department of Health and Social Care,
I would like a list of ALL NHS institutions that offer NHS IVF in the United Kingdom"*

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Please note, under section 8(1) of the FOIA, a request for information must comply with three requirements. It must:

- (a) be in writing,
- (b) state the name of the applicant and an address for correspondence, and
- (c) describe the information requested.

After initial consideration, this request appears to comply with requirements (a) and (c) but it does not comply with requirement (b) because you have not provided your full name. As your request is not valid under FOIA, I am not obliged to process your request. I would like to take this opportunity to recommend that any future FOI submissions adhere to Section 8 of the FOIA.

To enable us to meet your request, please resubmit your application including your real name. This should normally include your first name or a title (e.g. Mr, Ms or Dr) as well as your surname.

We will consider your resubmitted request upon receipt as long as it meets the requirements stated above. You will then receive a response from us within the statutory timescale of 20 working days. Please be aware that we cannot guarantee at this stage that a clarified request will fall within the FOIA cost limit, or that other exemptions will not apply.

Yours sincerely,

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